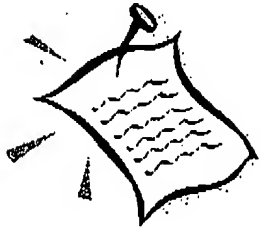


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In response to the final Office Action dated August 22,
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